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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
ATTACHING CONNECTIVE TISSUES TO  
BONE USING A SUTURE ANCHORING  
DEVICE**

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the references that are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue there from.

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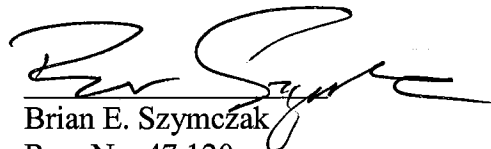
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This IDS is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Accordingly, Applicants believe that no additional fee is necessary. Should a fee be deemed necessary for submission of this IDS, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0359.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicant's attorney at 512.391.361.

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